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Column One
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RELAXATION and a balmy sense of well-being begin in the comfortable Dakota that takes you from Lydda to Cyprus. It continues at Nicosia airport, where the customs and passport officials make you feel that Governments impose restrictions solely for your pleasure. All Cyprus and the Cypriots are like that — to the visitor at any rate; who, when he gets back to thinking things out, wonders, a little guiltily, whether the Cypriots share in the sense of balminess and well-being their island gives to him. They probably don't. Many of them told me they would go to America if they could. It is nice to grow old in Lotus-land; but it is not a place to be young in: there is little for the young to do except go into Government service or sell things in shops — no factories to speak of; and few technical opportunities.

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BUT in the time-being of the visitor's brief stay it is difficult to think things out to their social consequences. The island is enchanted. The Paphian Venus chose well; and so did the Crusading knights who built fairy castles on purple cliff-tops which must have been thrown up expressly for fairy castles. And so, for that matter, did the retired army and India civil service Englishmen who live somnolently against the scented coves and beaches of Kyrenia on pensions that would not go far anywhere else. The Union Jack flies from the police station and the post office. There is a feeling of nostalgic gentleness and of a lyric quiet that should last out the lives of the retired ladies and gentlemen in their cool villas: Enosis moves slowly, almost apologetically, among the people: it is something to scribble in blue paint against a sunny white wall. Now and then men come together under the bright flags and stamp their feet and shout rudely; but they cannot yet stamp their feet hard enough to shake the island, or shout rudely enough to stir the people out of their gentleness. They like the Englishmen and the Englishmen like them; and government is a tedium anyway, whatever flag waves above it; and there is food in a man's pot and no stick laid to his back.

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SERIOUSLY, of course, it is not right. One people should never be governed by another people. At least, that is how we used to think before such thoughts became unfashionable; and there are plenty of Cypriots who are unfashionable enough to go on thinking that way even now, when islands and peoples are a matter of global strategy and world planning. Men may still call their souls their own; but not their air base, of course — not as long as Russia lies across the waters and the lands between. The Cypriots don't know much about Russia. They have a few Communists; and along the coast are forests of steel masts where, it is said, the Americans overhear what the Russians and other Communists are saying on their radio. Perhaps the Cypriots would prefer the Americans to the British. From Greece they hear wonderful stories of how the Americans bring dollars, build roads, set up factories, pay big wages...

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WHEN you come from a hard, hasty land like Israel, where the Government has dollars (never enough of course), and the people build roads, set up factories, pay big wages, it is a little difficult to feel as sympathetic as you should towards Cypriot longings. The island, as it is, is the very thing you have dreamed of. Its Lydian softness laves the tired mind and body like a warm bath. Its loveliness and the grace of a well-mannered, lackdaisical people whose habit of life has altered little in a century, are worth (in selfish calculation) a hundred factories and the biggest pay packets in the world. Lotusland has its points, there can be no doubt of that; just as there can be no doubt of the fact that they are points more accessible to the stranger than to the native; and, when you come to think of it, a trifle demoralizing if enjoyed for too long.

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THERE may come a change. Chill winds may blow upon the island from the economic storm-centres of the world: prices are rising now and the farmers are shaking their heads about the future. There will come more soldiers, it is said, and therefore more buyers in the shops; and perhaps the Middle East Defence Organization will at last come into being, raising the island out of its sloth and loveliness, its quiet... and its cheapness.

Jerusalem, January 6.

MORGENTHAU LEAVES NEW YORK HOSPITAL

NEW YORK, Monday (INA).— Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Chairman of the Board of Govenors of the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, was discharged from the hospital here today. He underwent an operation two weeks ago.

More Price Rises Due, Increase on Sugar Off

Jerusalem POST Reporter

More price rises are due this month as a result of calculations based on increased prices of basic commodities, economic sources disclosed in Jerusalem yesterday. It was announced last night that the decision to increase the price of sugar from 140 pruta to 180 pruta a kilogram will not be implemented.

The products to be affected are those manufactured from raw materials for which a price increase had been decided upon. An example is soap, for which the price of vegetable oil has been raised. Ministry sources refused to list the commodities involved.

The price of sugar for industries was raised to 180 pruta a kilogram in December, but for consumers it was raised only to 140 pruta.

Other Factors

It is understood that when new price calculations are made, other factors, in addition to raw materials, may also be taken into consideration. Such a factor may be higher wages.

It was learned yesterday that dairy farmers asked that the price paid to them for milk should be raised from 198 to 254 pruta a litre. Simultaneously there is a tendency to abolish, or at least to cut, the 14-pruta Government subsidy on each litre of milk. The demand for higher milk prices is linked with the question of increased prices for local meat, butter and cheese.

A meeting of the Agricultural Price Council, scheduled for last night to discuss milk prices, was postponed for a week.

E.C. Recommends 4-Egg Ration

Poultry-raising should be planned and supervised by the Ministry of Agriculture so that a minimum of four eggs a week can be assured to each person. This was one of the recommendations of the Economic Advisory Council which met yesterday in Jerusalem under the chairmanship of Mr. Peretz Naphtali, Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Peretz Bernstein, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Yosef Efrati, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, and other Government representatives were present.

The Government should assure supplies of imported feed for flocks, the Council also said. Those amounts which the Government cannot supply through foreign currency allocations should be assured through non-payment imports. Increased expenditures would considered in determining the price of eggs.

Several Council members criticized the lack of control on dressed poultry. Mr. Bernstein emphasized that decontrol was an experiment whose effects would be determined in the near future. The Council decided to ask a sub-committee to discuss this problem.

The Council recommended that except for potatoes, carrots and onions, vegetables should be freed from rationing. The Council which had formerly decided that these three items should continue to be rationed yesterday proposed that the Government should reexamine the need for their control.

Derationing bananas in the coming season, except for certain quantities for children according to the findings of nutritional experts, was also recommended. A decision on derationing grapes was postponed until the size of the crop could be determined.

At the beginning of the session, the Council decided that a sub-committee should continue to discuss the problems involved in the Compulsory Property Loan. These discussions would be based on the Council's previous positive attitude toward the principles underlying the Bill.

Topical questions of credits, as based on the findings of a sub-committee, are to be discussed at the next Council meeting in a fortnight.

14 Pakistanis Convicted For Anti-State Plot

KARACHI, Monday (UP). — Fourteen defendants were found guilty today of conspiracy in an attempt in 1951 to overthrow the Government. They received sentences ranging from four to 12 years.

The heaviest sentence was given to former Major-General Akbar Kham, ex-C.-in-C. of the Pakistan Army, who was charged with heading the conspiracy. His wife was the only one of the 15 defendants to be acquitted.

Faiz Ahmad, former editor of the "Pakistan Times," received four years' hard labour and a fine of 500 rupees.

Eleven of the convicted were military officers and the other three civilians.

Bill to Secure Independence Of Judiciary Passes First Reading

A Judges Bill, aimed to safeguard the independence of the Judiciary, was tabled in the Knesset yesterday by the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen. The bill was practically the same as the one which passed its first reading in the Knesset almost two years ago, but which had to be brought to the House again because the first Knesset was dissolved.

According to the bill, judges will be appointed by the President. The candidates will be presented by the Minister of Justice, after approval by a Nomination Committee, which will include two Cabinet Ministers, the Chief Justice, a Supreme Court Judge, the Attorney-General, the Dean of the Law Faculty of the Hebrew University, two Members of the Knesset and a representative of the Law Council.

Qualifications for the office are stipulated in the bill. Candidates for the Supreme Court must have served as a legal practitioner or in the Government legal service for at least five years.

Subject Only to Law

"A judge, in his judgment, is subject only to the Law." This principle, embodied in the bill, is the operative article of the whole judiciary system in the country, Mr. Rosen said.

A special five-member Disciplinary Court is to be set up in the event a Judge is accused of a gross misdemeanour.

Mr. Rosen stressed the fact that, though judges other than those of the Supreme Court, had been appointed by the Minister of Justice in the past, their independence from any official pressure was undisputed.

The 76 members serving on the Bench at present were insufficient, Mr. Rosen also said.

The integrity of the Bench at present — "one of our most wonderful achievements," as Mr. Ishar Harari (Progressive) said— was stressed by most speakers in the debate, which was quiet and mainly theoretical. The issue, as presented by most speakers, revolved on the conditions required to maintain that state of integrity.

Objections to the Bill varied from fear of political pressure to an expression of regret that the Biblical Law was not incorporated in the Common Law. The whole judiciary system, including the rabbinical and the military judges, should be included in the Bill, Mr. Harari said. Inclusion of the appointment of the Land Settlement Officer and the Registrar of Patents, was advocated by Mr. Ya'acov Shapiro (Mapai).

By appointing temporary judges, the Minister of Justice could exert undue influence, Mr. I. Bar Yehuda (Mapam) asserted.

Judicial independence was endangered by the fact that the Minister could transfer judges at will, and, that, advancement in pay was conditioned on promotion in grade, Dr. Y. Bader (Herut) said.

Rabbis as well as advocates should be eligible to sit as judges, Mr. E. M. Genihovski, (Hapoel Hamizrahi) stated.

Must Retain Contact

Mr. D. Bar Rav Hai, (Mapai) said the judiciary could not be made so "independent" as to lose contact with real life. A judge should not be permitted to announce his party politics from the Bench, but a judge who frees a citizen who had not helped the Police, or admits that a prisoner has a right to escape, should remember that the general public would not read the involved legal reasons for his judgment but construe a wrong impression from the acquittal.

Mr. E. Tabori (Mapai) admitted he was introducing a "discordant note" when he demanded that non-lawyers be appointed to the Bench. Mr. Rosen, winding up the debate, said this could not be accepted. A judge is a man who interprets the law, so, ipso facto, he must know the law.

The Bill was passed to the legal committee.

Mr. Moshe Shapiro, Minister of Religious Affairs and of Welfare announced in the Knesset that Mr. Z. Warhaftig will be Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs and Mr. Z. S. Rosenberg will be Deputy Minister of Welfare. Mr. P. Naphtali, the Minister of Agriculture, announced the appointment of Mr. Y. Efrati as his Deputy Minister, a post Mr. Efrati had held in the former Government.

Prague Delays Visa For Israel Delegate

Mr. A. Yaas'ur, the Hashomer Hatzair representative who was to have participated in the Conference of Democratic Youth beginning in Prague on Thursday, has not yet been granted an entry visa by the Czech Government. The Communist party delegate, Mr. D. Ravinu, was granted the visa more than a week ago, and has left for Prague.

The decision to send the delegate had been strongly opposed by the Ahdut Ha'Avoda faction. Mr. Yaas'ur is a follower of the extremist Sneh group.

Arab League to Meet On Reparations

Egypt has called the Arab League Political Committee to convene on January 14 on the question of West German reparations agreement with Israel, Cairo Radio reported yesterday. All Foreign Ministers of member states were urged to attend in view of the important nature of the agenda. . . . . .

Israel to Press Suez Issue at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (INA)—The Israel delegation to the U.N. said in a statement last night that the Israel Government would insist that Egypt observe the Security Council resolution calling for the cessation of the seizure and search of ships bound for Israel through the Suez Canal.

The delegation welcomed the Egyptian promise to stop interfering with Israel food imports but said it does not go far enough.

The statement said: "The Egyptian promise to stop interfering with Israel food imports is welcome as far as it goes. However, Egypt is under obligation to abandon all regulations and practices of blockade with respect to all commodities or cargoes bound for Israel ports.

"The resolution of the Security Council of September 1, 1951 opposed all such restrictions and upheld the right of Israel and all other states to trade freely with each other through the Canal. The Council also rejected Egypt's claim of belligerency which is the central cause of all present tension.

"It is completely proper and in place for Israel to discuss in the U.N. the whole question of Egyptian blockade regulations. We shall not abandon this matter as long as the illicit blockade is enforced to any degree in defiance of the Security Council's ruling."

Blaustein Discusses Arms, McCarran Act with Truman

WASHINGTON, Monday, (INA).—Mr. Jacob Blaustein, President of the American Jewish Committee, had a private conference for half-an-hour with President Truman at the White House today.

Mr. Blaustein told reporters that their talk covered several broad subjects including the economic and arms situation in the Middle East as well as the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act, particularly with regard to implementation of the report of the Presidential Commission on Immigration and Naturalization (which strongly urged wide liberalization of the Act).

Ambassador Eban is scheduled to see Secretary of State Acheson later today. It is understood that the supply of arms to the Middle East is on the agenda.

LIBYA MAY ACCEPT PALESTINE REFUGEES

Libya has declared itself willing to accept a number of Palestine refugees for "temporary shelter", ANA reports from Cairo.

Escaped Syrian Leaders Reveal Armed Guard Assisted Flight

"The very officers appointed to guard us helped us to escape across the Lebanese frontier," Akram Haurani, Syrian ex-Minister, told the Beirut press on Sunday night. Haurani, brother-in-law of Colonel Shishakly and President of the Syrian Socialist Party, was arrested with many other prominent political leaders last week after the discovery of an abortive coup against Shishakly's military regime.

He escaped on Saturday from El Mazah prison together with Michel Aklef, President of the El Ba'ath Party, and the Secretary-General of the Party, Salah e-Din Bitar, and the three have claimed asylum as political refugees in the Lebanon.

Haurani's statement in Beirut was in answer to an official statement by the military spokesman in Damascus on Sunday which flatly denied that the three men had ever been detained or had had to escape. "They were as free as birds and travelled to the Lebanon on ordinary travel documents."

On Edge of Volcano

In utterly refuting this statement, Haurani told the Beirut press that Syria was "sitting on a powder barrel which can explode at any moment." He explained the present quiet in Damascus as the calm before the storm. The Syrian press was the victim of unprecedented censorship and was "as a man being suffocated."

Aklef told the press that the Syrian people were now openly charging Shishakly with trying to implement the Western-sponsored Middle East Defence Organization and with sacrificing the interests of the Palestine refugees to his own ambitions in declaring that he was prepared to agree to their resettlement.

Observers in Beirut have been expressing fears over a Lebanese-Syrian crisis should Shishakly demand the repatriation of the three emigres. Today the three visited the Lebanese President and registered their names at the Palace.

The Damascus correspondent of the Cairo "Akhbar el-Yom" (who was the first to report the foiling of the coup) has described the arrest of the pro-Russian ex-Minister Marouf e-Dawalibi. Following the detention of his son, Major Dawalibi, suspected of implication in the plot, army officers called on Dr. Dawalibi and asked, "What do you think of the attempt to overthrow the government?" He replied, "I knew of it, prayed for it and helped it as much as I could."

(ANA, NEABS, Damascus Radio)

LEBANESE CABINET CHANGES EXPECTED

Khaled Shihab, Lebanese Premier, who announced last week his intention to resign, will shortly be appointed Minister to the Argentine, NEABS reports from Beirut.

Following an expected cabinet reshuffle, Musa Mubarek, the Foreign Minister, is to be appointed Minister to France.

Mayer Agrees To Seek Vote from Assembly Today

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — The Radical leader, M. Rene Mayer, told President Auriol tonight that he will ask the National Assembly to invest him as Premier tomorrow and was ready to give France a new government after 15 days of crisis.

But his chances of obtaining enough votes for investiture appeared uncertain tonight after General de Gaulle's French People's Rally had promised him support only if M. Mayer undertakes to revise the European Army treaty.

Mr. Mayer is on record as favouring quick French ratification of this treaty, which brings a German army into the European defence system.

The Gaullist parliamentary group decided to support M. Mayer's investiture as Premier if he promised to call a conference of the six European Defence Community countries to negotiate the treaty in such a way that "the unity of the national army and the inegrity of the French Union are preserved."

Political quarters thought it unlikely that M. Mayer, fourth politician summoned to solve the crisis, would yield to this Gaullist demand.

Earlier M. Mayer had made it clear that he would ask Parliament to invest him as Premier even if the 84-member Gaullist parliamentary group decided to withhold its support.

"I think the country would not understand it if I declined to face parliamentary investiture on the 15th day of the crisis and after negotiations during which I have done everything in my power to overcome the difficulties," M. Mayer told reporters.

Text of Arms Protest Note Being Prepared

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Foreign Ministry is now preparing the text of the note to the Western Powers protesting against the supply of arms to the Arabs states, it was learned here today.

It has not yet been decided whether the note will be sent to Britain alone, with the U.S. and France being kept informed of the registration of the protest, or whether similar notes will be sent to all three powers.

Britain has recently been the main supplier of arms, especially jet planes. France is understood to have supplied small quantities of arms to the Levant states, while the U.S. is reported to be studying the possibility of supplying arms of various types.

WORLD TOUR

SPRINGFIELD, Monday (UP). — Governor Adlai Stevenson of Illinois said today he is planning a three-month trip around the world to gain knowledge of the world's trouble spots, particularly in the Orient. He expects to leave by March 1 for Japan, India and possibly Korea, and may continue into the Middle East and Europe.

Churchill in New York For Talks with Eisenhower

Purge Means Trend To Nazi Revival

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Sunday. — Judging from official preliminaries, the forthcoming East German purge will follow the recent Czech example in seeking to pillory not only Zionism but Jewry in general.

One of the charges against Paul Merker is that while in Mexico in 1945 he wrote an article supporting the Jewish National Home. He is also alleged to have advocated restitution of property to Jews who did not return to Germany. This is officially described as "attempted theft of German national property": an obvious revival of Goebbels' terminology.

Merker, who was sacked as Secretary of Agriculture in 1950, is an old-time Communist functionary with no intellectual pretensions. His crime apparently is that during the war he sought shelter not in Russia but in Mexico, where, according to the prosecution, he became an American agent, a fact proved by his pro-Jewish utterances.

Eisler's End Seen

It is conjectured here that this points to the impending liquidation of Eisler and his office staff who have already been sacked. Arnold Zweig may be another victim.

Although the anti-Semitic attack is incidental to the general purge, which aims at explaining the recent collapse of the food administration and the consequent spread of something close to famine, it is believed here that the purge will gradually intensify as the regime tries to rebuild its military forces with the aid of former Nazi elements, already organized in a separate political party.

The remaining superficial differences between the Stalinist form of Fascism and the Hitler brand are likely to disappear before long.

Kubovy Back From Trip to Europe

LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday (ITIM).—Dr. Arye Kubovy, Israel Minister to Czechoslovakia and Poland, returned by El Al today from a three-week private visit to Europe. He was accompanied by his wife and their 20-year-old son, Michael, who remained in Vienna when Dr. and Mrs. Kubovy left Prague for Israel to report to the Government.

The Minister was declared *persona non grata* by the Prague authorities shortly after his return.

Dr. Kubovy told reporters that he had not yet seen the full text of the second Polish note accusing the Legation in Warsaw of espionage and other undiplomatic actions, but was aware of the general contents. He said that his visits to synagogues and Jewish centres in Poland were made with the full knowledge of the Polish authorities. He pointed out that when he had visited former Jewish centres shortly before Tisha B'Av he had informed the Polish Foreign Ministry of his visit, and he and those accompanying him had been followed by police.

"I understood that the Polish authorities were aware of the moral necessity for such visits to former great centres of Polish Jewry, which had been wiped out by the Nazis," Dr. Kubovy said.

Tomas Frejka, the son of Ludvig Frejka, who had publicly asked for the death sentence of his father, committed suicide recently, according to reports from Prague, Dr. Kubovy said. The youth's fellow-students had asked for his expulsion from school after the trial.

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The second Polish note to Israel alleging espionage and undiplomatic conduct on the part of the Israel Minister to Poland and members of the Legation staff is still under consideration at the Foreign Ministry, it was learned here today. No decisions have yet been reached on Israel's reaction to the note.

It has not yet been decided whether to publish the text of the note.

Sees Baruch, Mrs. F.D.R. at Lunch

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill arrived here on board the Queen Mary today. Two hours later President-elect Eisenhower's headquarters announced that the two statesmen will meet later today in the home of Mr Bernard Baruch, U.S. elder statesman, who is Mr. Churchill's host in New York.

Gen. Eisenhower will also dine with Mr. Churchill at the Baruch home tonight, it was stated.

Mr. Churchill and Gen. Eisenhower were expected to have their afternoon talk alone. The Prime Minister has not brought any political advisers with him.

After his arrival Mr. Churchill lunched with Mr. Baruch and retired to his room for a brief rest. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt lunched with them.

Mr. Churchill answered questions fired at him by a host of reporters who met him on board. These are some of the points he made:

Atom-bomb: Asked to compare Britain's weapon with American bombs he said, "I have not had the advantage which Mr. Roosevelt promised me of having the fullest possible information about U.S. atom-bombs."

Peace Chances Not Less

Peace: Prospects of peace for 1953 "are certainly not less than they were in 1952."

Meeting with Stalin: "I have really nothing to say. If I had I am sure this is not the right time."

Korea: Mr. Churchill said he appreciated American feeling regarding Korea, but added they should not look at what was going on there only from the viewpoint of Korea. "The fact that Soviet aggression was valiantly and resolutely confronted by the U.S. with the full authority of the U.N.... has been the greatest event of the last five years." Now the free nations were organizing and rearming. "These are tremendous facts, hopeful and encouraging facts," he said.

Asked about an expansion of the Korean war, Mr. Churchill said it would be "a great pity for U.N. armies, or U.S. armies, to wander about this vast China. That is not the centre of gravity."

Economic relations with America: "We don't want to live on you. We want to earn our own living."

Egypt's Major Aim: Drive Out British

CAIRO, Monday (UP). — Major Abdul Hakim Amr, key member of Nagib's General Council, last night declared: "Our primary objective is to drive the British out of Egypt and the Sudan. This is our goal until we either attain it or die for it."

Amr, who is also the chief of the Premier's Cabinet, made the declaration to journalists who asked him to comment on Lt.-Col. Gamal Abdul Nasser's recent statement that unless the British evacuate the Suez Canal Zone "we will wage guerrilla war against them."

Saying that Nasser's statement was the "embodiment of the entire nation's aspirations," the Major added: "We have built up a new state based on sound democratic foundations."

Asked for a statement of Egypt's attitude to the East-West cold war, he said: "Egypt today aims at achieving her freedom first."

Press censorship will be reimposed in Egypt, a government spokesman said today. Colonel Sadat promised that there will be little or no interference with foreign correspondents' copy "except in regard to military matters." On incoming messages, he added, the Government would try to obviate censorship delays.

£10m. EGYPTIAN ASSETS RELEASED BY BRITAIN

LONDON, Monday, (INA).— "The Times" reports from Cairo today that the British Government released on January 1 £10m. of Egypt's blocked sterling balances in London, on the request of the Egyptian Government.

Burma Ends Defence Accord with Britain

RANGOON, Monday (Reuter).— The Burmese Government has given a year's notice to Britain to terminate the existing defence agreement between the two countries, it was authoritatively stated here today.

Under the agreement, which came into effect on January 4, 1948, the day of Burma's independence, the latter undertook to receive no military mission from outside the British Commonwealth. Britain agreed to give Burma "all reasonable facilities for the purchase by the Government of Burma of war material."

The agreement was originally signed for three years but was renewed by Burma for two further years.

TUDEH RIGHTISTS CLASH IN IRAN

TEHERAN, Monday (UP). — Communists clashed with rightists in street fighting today for the third consecutive day of confused rioting in Iran. Police said two persons were killed and 26 seriously injured.

Hundreds of others were less severely injured and 200 persons were arrested in fighting near the Majlis building here.

The semi-official newspaper "Bakhtiar Emrouz" yesterday reported that three Soviet spies have been caught while trying to cross the northern border into Iran and have been brought to Teheran for interrogation.

New Indonesian Defence Chief Quits

DJAKARTA, Monday (Reuter). The newly appointed Chief of Staff of the Indonesian Army, Colonel Bambang Sugeno, has resigned, according to well-informed sources here.

This is a new development in the complicated army conflict that caused the resignation of Defence Minister Sultan Hamangku Buwono two days ago.

Colonel Sugeno's resignation, the sources said, resulted from the appointment of Colonel Sadirin as Commander of the Military District of East Indonesia. This appointment was made by the Cabinet to placate two Socialist Ministers who were threatening to resign because of the latest Government moves in the army crisis that began last October.

Rosenbergs Given Stay Of Execution Pending Appeal

NEW YORK, Monday (UP). — Federal Judge Irving Kaufman today put the decision of whether the convicted atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg be saved from the electric chair up to President Truman as pro-Communist groups throughout the world held meetings demanding clemency.

The Judge, who doomed the Rosenbergs to death two years ago for giving the USSR information on the atom bomb, saved them from execution temporarily by promising to grant a conditional stay so that they can appeal to the White House for clemency.

In London and Paris Communists and fellow-travellers were rallying today to protest the execution. A meeting will be held in East Berlin tomorrow. American institutions in many European cities and in Ottawa, Canada were picketed and Jewish neighbourhoods showered with leaflets alleging the Rosenbergs are being persecuted because they are Jews.

Approximately 1,000 pickets marched at the White House throughout the day.

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HAIFA REACTION

HAIFA, Monday.—Mrs. C. Iram, Communist Councillor, asked at tonight's Council meeting that the Municipality support the demand for a pardon for the Rosenbergs.

Interrupted by Councillors who wanted to know why Mrs. Iram had not asked for mercy for the Jewish accused of the Prague trial, she answered, "They admitted their guilt."

U.S., British Troops Not to Leave Trieste

LONDON, Monday (UP). — The Foreign Office today described reports that British and U.S. garrisons may be withdrawn from Trieste shortly as "all nonsense." A spokesman said it was not true that Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden proposed such a withdrawal during his recent visit to Belgrade.

(A like denial was issued in Washington today by the State Department spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott).

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Social & Personal

Mr. S. Ginossar, former Israel Minister to Rome, and member of the Israel delegation to the U.N. and Mr. A. Najjar, also a member of the U.N. delegation, returned from New York by El Al yesterday.

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Mr. H. R. D. Gybbon-Monypenny, British Consul General in Jerusalem, was made a Commander of the Order of the Empire (C.B.E.) in the New Year's Honours list last week.

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Dr. Hugh Gaitskell, M.P. and former British Chancellor of the Exchequer, gave the first of three lectures on Economic Planning at the Hebrew University last night. The large audience included Mr. P. Naphtali, Minister of Agriculture, Mr. D. Horowitz and many University lecturers. Mr. and Mrs. Horowitz gave a reception for Dr. Gaitskell after the lecture at their home in Katamon which was attended by Mr. and Mrs. P. Rosen, Mrs. G. Myerson, Mr. P. Lavon, Mr. W. Eytan, Mr. T. Kollek, Dr. W. Senator (who was in the Chair at the lecture) and other University staff members. Dr. Gaitskell is to stay three weeks in Israel "to study the country's economic problems," he told reporters on his arrival at Lydda yesterday. Her will deliver the second of his series of lectures at 8.30 this evening in the Ratisbonne Building in Jerusalem under the auspices of the University.

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Mr. Oved Ben-Ami, Mayor of Nathanya, returned by T.W.A. yesterday after a ten-weeks' visit to the U.S. on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. During his absence from Israel, Mr. Ben-Ami also made contact with investors in Mexico, Belgium, France and Britain.

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Mr. Harry Frankel, of Dallas, Texas, has arrived in the country and is living in Haifa.

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Dr. P. Arnsberg, Managing Director of Pales Press Co. Ltd., returned to Israel yesterday after an extensive business trip to Europe and the U.S.

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Mr. H. Bornstein will lecture under the auspices of the Technion on "Production and Use of Ferrous Castings" tomorrow, Wednesday, at 8 p.m. at the Manufacturers' Ass'n building in Tel Aviv. At 6 p.m. in the same place, foundrymen from Tel Aviv and vicinity will meet to form a foundrymen's society.

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The Hon. Edwin Samuel will speak at 1.15 p.m. tomorrow at the meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club of on "The Queen Opens Parliament."

BIRTH

STONE — To Yocheved (nee Valensky), wife of Brian Stone, at 63 Bulstrode Ave., Hounslow, Middlesex, England, on December 19, 1952, — a fourth son, Oren Mark.

SERLIN PROMISES TO HELP NURSES

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Ministry of Health will have as its main goal the improvement of the working conditions of nurses and will strive to improve public health, Mr. Y. Serlin, Minister of Health, told 700 nurses doctors and hospital personnel at the Second Congress of the Nurses' Union here today.

He stressed the importance of the nursing profession, recalling the many privations and responsibilities that a nurse has to undergo in her line of duty.

GENERAL FESTING IN OLD CITY

General Festing, Commander of the British forces in the Suez Canal Zone, and his wife arrived in the Old City on Sunday accompanied by two of his Staff Officers. The group toured the holy places and today will visit Bethlehem and Hebron.

MUILENBURG TO HEAD JORDAN VALLEY DIGS

NEW YORK, Monday (UP). — Dr. James Muilenburg has been appointed resident director of the American School of Oriental Research in the Old City of Jerusalem for 1953-4.

Dr. Muilenburg is Professor of Hebrew and cognate languages at the Union Theological Seminary, New York. The American School is now conducting excavations in the Jordan Valley.

Negro Opens Fight in Congress for Equality

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — The Negroes' fight for equality got under way on the opening day of the 83rd Congress this week, but with prospects of slow legislative progress.

Representative Adam Clayton Powell, New York, announced the introduction of a series of bills covering all major economic and social points of the racial controversy. He presented the old "Fair Employment Practices Act" rewritten as "Federal Equality of Opportunity."

Mr. Powell, a Congressman since 1944, was the first Negro elected by an Eastern state and has been a powerful spokesman for the Negro view. His other bills propose universal suffrage and the eradication of segregation in the District of Columbia; outlawing the transmission of defamatory racial matter; a Federal law against lynching, and prohibition of state poll taxes which limit Negro suffrage.

These bills could drive a wedge between the Democrats who want to continue President Truman's civil rights campaign and the Southern Democrats who are ready to make a bitter fight against any Federal encroachment upon states' rights in handling racial issues.

5-Man Board to Rule On Vincent's Loyalty

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). President Truman last night placed the question of government employment for Mr. John Carter Vincent, a professional diplomat accused of being a security risk, in the hands of a board of five distinguished public figures.

The action was taken on the recommendation of Secretary of State Dean Acheson who said he was mystified by the reasoning of the President's Loyalty Review Board in finding "reasonable doubt" as to Mr. Vincent's loyalty.

Mr. Vincent was suspended on December 15 after the board issued its report and he was ordered home from Tangier where he has been American Consul.

The chairman of the advisory board will be Mr. Learned Hand, retired senior judge of the New York Court of Appeals.

Mr. Acheson said, "In so delicate a matter affecting so deeply the integrity of the foreign service, I should wish to be advised by persons familiar with the problems and procedures of the State Department and the foreign service."

Evatt Urges Informal Talks of World Leaders

CANBERRA, Monday (AP). — Dr. Herbert Evatt, Opposition leader and former U.N. President, yesterday urged informal talks on international matters between leaders of the great powers. He said, "These can do much good even if they only clear the ground. I would not expect anything like complete agreement but the areas of disagreement might be lessened. It is over seven years since the leaders met at Potsdam. Surely the time has come to repeat this experiment."

Dr. Evatt urged practical steps to advance world peace by improving the U.N. organization. He said the unrestricted veto meant applications for members had been deferred or rejected for years. If nations like Finland, Ceylon, Austria, Ireland, Portugal, Italy Jordan and Libya were admitted, and the Russian veto was not exercised, they would concede the admission of Russian supporters like Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania and Albania.

"It is a complete fallacy to think admission means approval of the nation admitted," he said. "Membership merely gives the right to participate. The influence for good exercised by the U.N. on particular nations might be considerable."

Hungarian Police Censor Crash News

VIENNA, Monday (Reuter). — Reports received yesterday by Austrian Socialists from trade union friends in Hungary said two trains collided near Budapest on December 28. At least 16 persons were thought to have died, but no official figure has been given.

A fast train crashed at full speed into a workers' train near the Caszarfuerdoe station. Both trains were wrecked, burying dead and injured beneath the wreckage. According to information collected secretly from hospitals, between 50 and 60 were seriously injured.

Long before the first ambulance arrived on the scene, the trade union report said, large contingents of the state security police cordoned off the whole area, threatened all eye-witnesses with drastic punishment if they did not keep silent about the accident and arrested all railwaymen in the neighbourhood.

After three days the Hungarian Government announced there had been an accident and that the "railwayman responsible" had already been tried for criminal carelessness and hanged.

Travellers reaching Vienna from Budapest reported that railway workers in prison include a young girl on duty in the signal box at the junction.

Soviet Paper Says Arabs In Israel in 'Ghettos'

NEW YORK, Monday (INA). — A dispatch from Moscow in the "New York Times" yesterday reports that the "Teachers' Gazette," organ of the Soviet Ministry of Education accuses Israel of creating ghettos for Arabs "similar to the Jewish ghettos created by Hitler in Poland."

The newspaper charged that the Jews had transformed Nazareth into an "Arab ghetto" in which all power was vested in the military authorities. This "ghetto policy" was said by the "Gazette" to be part of American racialism. It said "The Jewish State is so bound to the American imperialists" that it carries out without any limitation "the policy of its transoceanic bosses."

Atomic Energy Has Hardly Helped Science

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — The "Bulletin of Atomic Scientists," an American scientific magazine, complained today that civil benefits of atomic Energy had fallen "far short of pupular expectation."

The supply of radium was the main boon atomic energy had given science and industry, it said. But atomic science had so far failed to produce "a single really great discovery in biology, physics or chemistry or a single revolutionary cure in medicine."

Another article in the "Bulletin" said that the devastating blast at Eniwetok Atoll in the Pacific last November was caused by a second stage hydrogen type bomb more than twice as powerful as the improved atom bomb.

It said the U.S. might have exploded its first hydrogen bomb material in tests 20 months ago and that the November detonation "must have been" a follow-up experiment in which the amount of hydrogen bomb material was somewhat increased.

Safety Institute To Be Opened in Nazareth

NAZARETH, Monday. — The Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson, will open a Hygiene and Safety Institute, planned to prevent industrial accidents, on Wednesday.

About 500 persons, including town officials and industrial workers, have been invited to attend the session, to be held in the Cultural Institute of the Israel Labour League. This will be the first opportunity offered to Arab workers to learn modern methods of accident prevention.

Yemen Jews Desire To Emigrate

Hundreds of Jews who stayed behind in the Yemen are now trying to reach Aden to emigrate to Israel. This was revealed in letters reaching Mr. Israel Yishayahu, M.K., from Aden and from a district in the Yemen where 650 Jews live.

The letters point out that these Jews have not means to reach Aden, and ask for help. The fact that there are 650 Jews in one district has aroused doubts as to whether the previous estimate of 1,000 Jews in the Yemen is correct.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 407 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.9, 33.3 & 522 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7, 7.30 a.m., 12.00 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6 a.m., 2.15 & 6.10 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Piano Recital. 11.20 Wind Instruments. 11.40 Music (R). 12.02 Programme for Hospitals (R). 12.30 At the Opera (R). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music. 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety. 4.45 Music (R). 5.20 Agricultural Corner. 5.30 Language Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.07 Programme Announcements. 7.10 "Voice, Instrument and Orchestra." (R). 7.35 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.00 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra: Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger. Soloist: George Haas: Overture "Midsummer Night's Dream" (Mendelssohn); Concerto for Oboe & Strings (Gordon Jacob); Variations (Schlesinger); Symphony No. 8 (Beethoven). 10.30 Request. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
460, 225, 216 & 43.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 Chamber Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Science Studio. 6.00 The Working Women. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS HOUR (33.5, 43.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m.; Ladino: 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.15 Newsreel. 11.30 The Jerusalem Forum. 11.45 Songs.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 229M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Gadna. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Melodies. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 News. 8.45 Military Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 9-9.30 p.m. (13, 16, 19 & 25 M.): Life in Three United States.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92 & 30.43 M): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News: Jewish Affairs; Visitors' Corner.

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CHOPIN: Ballad No. 3 in F Major;
PROKOFIEFF: Third Piano Concerto,
accompanied by
Meir Harnik.
The programme will begin promptly at 8.30 p.m.
The Public is invited.

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REVIEW OF YESTERDAY'S PRESS

G.Z. Paper Advises Against Haste in Decontrol

Hasty conclusions should not be drawn from the effects of decontrolling the price of poultry, "Haboker" (General Zionist) says. It is not true that the General Zionists favour decontrol at any price, but rather they stand for gradual decontrol. Even so, it must be expected that the price of poultry will eventually go down. As a rule, the paper says, prices will rise following decontrol if there is a sellers' market. This is a simple law known to everyone but the formulatrs of doctrinaire economics. If kibbutzim and other settlements affiliated with the Histadrut would now offer poultry on the free market, prices would automatically go down, and the speculators would suffer losses. What is needed, is not unorthodox press articles, but unorthodox actions, "Haboker" concludes.

"Davar" (Histadrut) attacks "Ha'aretz" (Independent) which the day before had asked for the resignation of Finance Minister Levi Eshkol. "Davar" says "Ha'aretz" admitted that Mr. Eshkol had honoured the promise, given by the late Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan, not to increase the inflationary trend by printing more money. But this, "Ha'aretz" says, is only half the task. What then is the second half? And whose interests does "Ha'aretz" represent? Certainly not those of the civil servants, the masses, nor the country's economy in general, the paper concludes.

"Maariv" also criticizes "Ha'aretz's" "oust Eshkol" campaign which that paper maintained yesterday; for the second day in succession "Haaretz" continues to criticize Mr. Eshkol and ministers responsible for economic affairs on the whole. The fact that the income tax department collected much more money in December than in previous months is an encouraging sign, and shows that the morale of the tax payer is not as low as generally described. In view of the "exploiting character" of the present system, however, the Government succeeds in collecting much less than it would after drastic reform.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says official figures show that there are 18,000 jobless (three per cent of the total employed) and this is called full employment. This figure does not include, however, those who seek work outside the Labour Exchange, nor those partly employed. The growth of unemployment, which always follows a deflationary policy anywhere, should be met by finding jobs which would guarantee minimum employment. This should be the Government's first obligation and override all other considerations.

Recent developments in the League for the Preservation of Human Rights call for comment in "Ha'aretz," "Davar," and "Hador" (Mapai). Since the League has become a Communist front organization, a new non-political organization should be established.

"Hador" says Hashomer Hatzair reached a new depth in self-degradation in deciding to send a delegate to the Democratic Youth Congress in Prague. This delegate will take part in the "merry-making only several hundred metres from where Mordecai Oren is being tortured."

The new East German witch-hunt was prominently featured and banner-headlined in most newspapers. "The East German Communist party follows in the steps of Prague," says "Hatsofe" (Mizrahi). "An anti-Semitic show trial in East Germany," says "Hamodia" (Agudat Israel).

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) and "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) reported this item in a less conspicuous place. Dr. Y. Bader in "Herut" says only Dr. M. Sneh, of all the Mapam leaders, follows a logical political line. The second homeland (Russia) for him is the one and only homeland, while other Mapam leaders still attempt to postpone a clear and unequivocal decision.

"Hatzofe" invokes the name of the State and the nation to fight against those men without conscience, underworld types, cosmopolitans and idiotic gluttons who sell and buy pork."

At the Cinema

FREDERICK Lonsdale's comedy, 'The Last of Mrs. Cheyney,' perennial success in the theatre, was turned into a film starring Elizabeth Bergner, a long time ago. 'The Law and the Lady' (Eden J'lem) is no more than a new version of that sparkling comedy, dressed up in *fin de siècle* clothes. Greer Garson is a dashing heroine, and Michael Wilding of 'An Ideal Husband' fame has that inimitable Victorian manner we have come to expect from him in such parts, while Fernando Lamas is a handsome Latin lover, and Marjorie Maine's performance as the hostess with the priceless diamond necklace is a gem. The musical theme is the Emmerich Kalman's "Sei" waltz.

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Where to go

JERUSALEM

9-6: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time: 2-3 p.m.
8.30-12.30; 2-6: American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Road. Entrance Free.
9-1; 2-5: Exhibitions: Travelling exhibition on Leonardo da Vinci, on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of his birth. Graphic Art, by Israeli artists, recent acquisitions. Exhibit of the Month: Russian Icon, 15th Century. Recent acquisitions of the National Bezalel Museum. Bezalel Museum.
9-1: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-1; 4-6: Exhibition of oils, drawings and illustrations by Avigdor Arikha, Artists House.
10-5: Sanhedrin Tombs.
11.30-12.30 Film Show at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

TEL AVIV

8 p.m.: "Saint Joan" Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.
10-1: Memorial exhibition of the artist, Menahem Shemi (Schmidt): 126 paintings and drawings of the Habimah and Ohel Theatres decors. Museum.
10-1, 5-7: Exhibition of Paintings by Zvi Livny, Katz Gallery.

HAIFA

6 & 9.15 p.m.: Li-La-Lo Theatre, Wonderful Revue: "It Will Be Good." Armon Hall.

RAMAT GAN

8. p.m. "The Women Have Their Way." Chamber Theatre, Rama Hall.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3, 6.30 & 8.30

ARMON: I'll Get By.
EDEN: The Law and the Lady.
EDISON: Bright Victory.
OR-GIL: Starlift.
ORION: Under My Skin.
STUDIO. The Skipper Surprises His Wife.
ZION: Affair in Trinidad.

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Betar Beat Hapoel At Ziratron

Tel Aviv Betar gained the honours in their first-ever boxing tournament against Tel Aviv Hapoel at the Ziratron in Ramat Gan on Saturday night, winning by 11 points to five. The exciting meeting, which attracted 2,000 spectators, brought four knock-out decisions in the eight contests held.

The star bout was a welterweight meeting between Betar's Asher Birenbium and Israel Mekler, one of Hapoel's best boxers, and the fans were not disappointed. Birenbium outpunched his opponent from the start and had him down a number of times in the first round. Mekler fought back in the second but Birenbium always held the advantage which he pressed in the third round, when, after, a flurry of blows to the head, he put Mekler out of the ring for the count.

Quick K.O. Win

Two other welterweight bouts also brought "short route" wins to Betar men. Arie Greenberg disposed of Yehuda Kalef in the second round and Victor Avital was awarded a technical knock-out verdict over Yosef Shawisha, Hapoel's Yehuda Levy registered a quick k.o. victory in a featherweight contest when he won in the first round over Avner Shalom. Hapoel also gained the points in the other featherweight bout when Eliezer Mordoff defeated Uri Barankin.

Among the "light-heavies," Ariel, Betar, won on points against Aharon Kurtz, while an exciting bout in the middleweight division resulted in a draw between Haim Nassar, Hapoel, and Avraham Levy, Betar. Bar Zion Levy, Betar, in the bantamweight section found himself without an opponent when Meir Levy, Hapoel, did not appear, while a pre-arranged bout between Hillel No'am, Betar, and Finklestein, Haifa Hapoel, in the featherweight division was called off when it was discovered that Fink'estein was overweight.

The referees were: ring: A. Segal and Fisher; points: Reichman, Zahavi and Steinbeck; timekeepers: Freifeld and Sabiner.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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World Olympic Stars Invited in Israel

According to a news item received here from London, famous British and American athletic stars have been invited to take part in an athletic meeting being organized in conjunction with next September's Fourth Maccabia here.

The report states that an invitation has been sent by the Maccabia Organizing Committee in London, at the request of the World Maccabi Union headquarters in Tel Aviv, to E. Macdonald Bailey, the 100 and 200 metre champion, Roger Bannister and Chris Chattaway, Britain's long distance experts.

Similar invitations, it is reported, have been sent by the United States Committee to Aid Sport in Israel to the American Olympic stars, Arthur Wint and Herbert McKenley.

1,000 Housing Units Started in Haifa

HAIFA, Monday. — More than 1,000 housing units, part of the Haifa popular housing scheme, are under construction. They will not, however, be completed before the end of 5713.

The building site was visited last week by the Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson, accompanied by the Mayor and officials of the Ministry of Labour.

STOCK MARKET
TEL AVIV

JAN. 5.		Rise or Fall
Govt. Loan		
5½%—1953 (reg.)	103	—
—1955 (reg.)	101½	—
—1956 (reg.)	101	—
Pop. Loan		
1949/69 (IL.10)	101	—
1950/75 (IL.10)	95½	−1
3½% Town Dollar	[illegible]	−2(c)
5% Nat. Loan (large)	[illegible]	−2(c)
Leumi Ord. sh.	[illegible]	+6
A.P.B Invest.		
4% Debs. 50/70	[illegible]	—
4½% Pref. sh.	57½	—
Ord. sh. "B"	113½	—
Gen. Mortg. Bk.		
4% Debs. 48/63	83	—
6% Pref. sh.	83	—
Bizur. Debs.		
5% 46/5[illegible]	91	—
4% 5[illegible]/65	73	—
4½% 52/66 reg.	82½	—
Nir Ltd.		
4% Debs. 39/59	89	−b)
5% Pref sh.	[illegible]	—
Pasa Debs.		
4% 42/62	82½	—
P.L.D.C.		
Ord. sh.	180½	−1(a)
5% Debs.	108½	−2
Afr.-Pal. Inv. Ord. sh.	136	−1
Rassco		
4% Debs. 56/63	71	−b)
6% Pref. Ord. sh.	89½	—
Pal Potash 6% Pref. sh.	153½	—a)
" "A" Ord. sh.	103	—a)
Pal. Elec. Ord. sh. (lar.)	153	−3
Mekoroth Pref. sh.	65½	—
Ata 4% "C" Pref. sh.	100	−1
Ord. "B" sh.	129	−3
"Kardanah" Ord. "B" sh	127	−3
Assis-Beit "B" sh.	171	—
"Teva" Ord. sh	99½	−1
Nesher 8% Debs.	103½	—
Lodzia 4½% Pref. sh.	55	—
S.A. Binyan Ord. sh.	90	—
Pal. Centr. Tr.	79	—
Pal. Bearer Bd.		
Ser. 1	67½	—
Ser. 2	67½	—
Ser. 3	65½	—

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Issued: Subscribed	£5,405,818		Subsidiaries	295,863
Paid Up		3,350,000	Life Funds	131,006
Reserves and Undistributed Profits		4,210,992	Current Assets	4,555,713
Insurance Funds		5,379,506		
Liabilities		7,639,426		
		£20,579,924		£20,579,924

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

		£			£
Balance as at the beginning of the year:—			Dividends, less tax		296,417
Eagle Star Insurance Co. Ltd.		1,012,000	Transfer to Subsidiaries' Investment Reserves		24,226
Subsidiaries	£538,818		Transfer to General Reserve		750,000
Exchange Adjustment for Canadian Subsidiaries	18,959	557,777	Balance as at the end of the year		
Balance for current year brought down		350,191	Eagle Star Ins. Co. Ltd.	£531,495	
Transfer from Subsidiaries reserves		7,000	Subsidiaries	574,920	1,106,415
Transfer from Investment reserves		250,000			
		£2,177,058			£2,177,058

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT IN ISRAEL.

DEBIT	IL.	CREDIT	IL.
Loss transferred from Fire, Accident, Marine and other Insurance Branches Business	152.840	Balance of Profit from previous year	664.465
Balance of Profit carried forward to account of next year	511.625		
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AUDITORS' REPORT:

We report that Head Office expenses and the pending claims and insurance fund in respect of Marine Business have been included on the basis stated and that the remaining items making up the profit shown above are in accordance with the books and records maintained at the Head Office of the Company and returns received from the Company's Agent in Israel.

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Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

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Mt. Cana'an	58	7	14	15
Tiberias	38	12	22	24
Haifa	47	15	19	21
Nathanya	55	13	20	22
Tel Aviv Port	56	15	18	20
Lydda Airport	49	12	20	22
Jerusalem	64	9	13	15
Beersheba	62	8	19	21
Elath	35	17	23	24

FORECAST: Fair.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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FRESH FLOWERS, mainly gladioli, are being exported to Britain and Switzerland on TWA passenger flights. The flowers are reported to be reaching their destinations in excellent condition.

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DISTRICT OFFICES for Kupat Holim, serving 60,000 members in Jaffa, Holon and Bet Yam, were opened temporarily in 15 prefabricated huts in Rehov 6 in Jaffa yesterday.

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A CYCLIST, Avraham Efroni, 46, of Rehov Mohiliver, Petah Tikva, was injured and taken to Beilinson Hospital in a critical condition yesterday when he was hit by a truck, while cycling along Rehov Mikve Israel, Tel Aviv. The driver, Matityahu Shlomo of the Shapiro quarter, was detained. Another three cyclists were slightly injured yesterday in other accidents in Tel Aviv.

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VALUABLES, a camera and money totalling IL.4,650 were stolen from Isidor Eisman's flat at 4 Rehov Ben Ami, Tel Aviv, on Sunday night, when thieves broke in by sawing open an air cupboard in the kitchen.

Citrus Exports Far Ahead Of Last Year; Target—5m.

TEL AVIV, Monday.—Mr. Itzhak Rokach outlined a schedule for the export of 5m. cases of citrus this season at a meeting of the Farmers Federation. Exports last year were 3,500,000 cases.

According to official figures released yesterday, 823,033 cases were shipped until January 4. Last year shipments up to December 31 had totalled 365,000 cases.

The new schedule is 760,000 cases by December 31, 1952; 600,000 from January 1-15; 750,000 for January 16 to 31; 1,300,000 in February; 1,050,000 from March 1-20; and 540,000 from March 21 to April 15.

Immigration Reaches Another Low Point

Immigration dropped to one of its lowest points last month when only 915 persons entered the country, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem from Ministry of Interior sources. During the same month 580 residents emigrated from Israel.

Also during December, 1,705 tourists entered and 1,283 residents returned. During that month, 1,557 residents went abroad temporarily, and 1,664 tourists left.

India Has Greater Problems — Dr. Kagan

Our immigrant camps are palaces compared with those in India, said Dr. Helene Kagan, noted pediatrician and WIZO leader, on her return from the International Study Conference on Child Welfare, convened in India.

Dr. Kagan, who was chairman of the Commission on Handicapped Children, said that Israel could not compare its difficulties with the immense task facing India, with upward of 2m. blind from malnutrition and other avoidable causes, and 10m. refugees from Pakistan living in terrible conditions.

A beginning in social welfare had been made by the Indian Council of Women, but the conference urged the government of India to shoulder this burden.

Mrs. Hannah Leibowitz, an Israel delegate, also attended the Social Service Conference held concurrently at Madras.

CHILD KILLED; NINE INJURED IN ACCIDENTS

HAIFA, Monday. — Three-year-old Shmuel Baz, of Rehov Hanamal here, was killed when he was run over by a lorry in Atzmaut Road, near the post office, this morning. The body was taken to Rambam Hospital. The driver was detained.

Four other young children were injured today when a shell with which they were playing exploded. They had found it in Hawassa. The four injured were taken to Rothschild Hospital and their condition was reported as satisfactory this evening.

HAIFA, Monday. — A two-year-old boy and three adults were seriously injured when a primus exploded in a flat in 20 Afghani Street this afternoon.

The injured, who were sent to the Rambam Hospital, are Eliahu, Unraatz and Yitzhak Yelek, aged 30, 26 and two respectively, and Esther Elaik, 28.

G.Z., Herut Outvote Labour on T.A. Tax

Jerusalem POST Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Herut and the General Zionist factions on the Tel Aviv Municipal Council banded together again last night and out-voted the Histadrut members on the city's new business tax.

Until the vote was taken it was understood that Herut had seceded from the coalition.

It was decided that when businesses are to be taxed, according to the number of persons employed, 1952 is to be taken as the base year. The Histadrut demanded that 1951 be used.

Another vote abolished the practice of fixing the rate for seasonal businesses using the number of employees working at the peak as the average annual number.

Mr. E. Schechter, leader of the Histadrut faction on the Council, told *The POST* today that the Herut faction had shown its natural affinity for the General Zionists yesterday and that the vote continued the old policy of "working together against the interests of Labour."

Crew of Graetz Says Story Exaggerated

Jerusalem POST Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — The s.s. Avraham Graetz, whose Captain, Adan Graetz, made headlines last month, returned to Haifa early this morning. The crew was apparently under strict orders not to talk about the incidents which caused the widespread publicity.

Only an official statement by the ship's committee was released. It said that Captain Graetz had left the ship in Canada on his father's request. The vessel had been in no danger and the publicity had only caused unnecessary anxiety to the crew's families without furthering the interests of the country's nautical reputation.

Off the ship, crew members said privately that the sensational publicity had been unfortunate and greatly exaggerated, and that they had been accustomed to Mr. Graetz's unusual conduct in the past.

Legal Action Possible

Meanwhile, it was learned that the Communications Ministry had charged the Attorney General with investigating the possibility of taking legal action against the Dizengoff Company, the shipowners and Mr. Graetz, if he is fit to stand trial. According to the 1936 ordinances, which apply to all Israel vessels, the company had no right to employ a captain who did not hold a proper master's ticket.

Mr. Graetz held a Panama ticket, the validity of which was questioned, and last year a vessel captained by him was refused clearance in Haifa until another master was appointed. On her present trip the s.s. Avraham Graetz was also refused clearance in New York and Mr. Graetz may be charged with sailing her on the false pretext that he was a qualified master.

Besides legal action, the Ministry may also start a preliminary inquiry into the whole matter, and may appoint an inquiry commission later.

Cornerstone Laid For Red Sea Hotel

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The cornerstone of 14-room hotel was laid on the beach of the Red Sea at Elath yesterday morning. The brief ceremony marked the birth of an effort by the Tour-Negev company and the Government, which are backing the undertaking, to bring tourists, both local and foreign, to Israel's pioneer outpost.

Mr. S. Himmelfarb, manager of the Tour-Negev company, told the gathering of newsmen and guests, that construction would begin immediately. Mr. H. Nennar, representative of the Arava Division of the Government, greeted this "unique undertaking" in Israel tourism.

Wife Accuses Man Of Killing Husband

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — "The accused pushed my husband to the parapet of the roof, grabbed him by the legs and then threw him over," Mrs. Golda Salomon told the Tel Aviv District Court today in the case against Ya'acov Ostromovitz, 42. He is charged with killing Mendel Salomon, 42, following a quarrel last August.

The house is in the Herbert Samuel Esplanade here. The trial will be continued on January 11.

THE 350 employees of the Jewish Agency stores near Sarafand returned to work yesterday morning, after striking for 13 days in protest against a cutback in work and the dismissal of 40 men.

'Austerity Everywhere'

"The moment I entered the hotel I was met with this announcement, 'Guests are requested not to waste water as there is a shortage.' Another notice said, 'Please extinguish the lights when not in use.' My first steps in the city's principal streets revealed that strictest austerity was being practised in the use of electricity. The streets were literally dark.

"The bus queues were long. The next day I saw dozens of women with their milk pitchers, queueing for milk. The same sight met me outside the greengrocer's. In my first contacts with business people I heard laments at the Government's economic policy which does not allow free imports, and which is too rigid in granting import licences for many commodities which appear to the businessman as essential.

"This," S. Dinar, writing in "Davar" yesterday said, "did not happen in Tel Aviv, nor in Haifa, nor in Jerusalem. This was in Rio de Janeiro, the capital of Brazil, the richest of all Latin-American countries; rich in natural resources, with a population of 50 million; a country that does not have to absorb and assimilate masses of new immigrants; a country that is not threatened with war by its jealous and vengeful neighbours."

COURT RULES ON MILITARY SECRETS

HAIFA, Monday. — Chief Magistrate Y. Maman ruled today that an army commander had full authority to decide for himself what constituted a military secret.

On the strength of this ruling based on English law, the Magistrate rejected the demand of the Society for the Rights of Man and the Citizen that a sworn statement be made by the Chief of Staff and the Defence Minister explaining why the name of the signatory to the report on the Wadi Ara incident on June 26 was a secret.

The society began court proceedings several months ago to obtain a ruling that legal action be taken against "those responsible for the shooting" in which two Arab residents were killed and five injured. The society had demanded a sworn statement at a previous hearing of the case when Aluf Moshe Dayan declined to disclose the name of the signatory on the ground that this was a military secret.

Judge Maman said that he himself had no authority to decide what constituted a military secret and that a matter that appeared trivial to a civilian might be extremely important to the army. He also rejected the society's demand to hear Aluf Dayan in closed session if there was any fear of military secrets being divulged. Such a secret must be withheld not only from the general public, but from the Judge and his staff and from the complainants' counsel as well, he ruled.

It now appears that the Society will appeal to the High Court for an order nisi against Aluf Dayan and the Judge Advocate.

Claims Police Bribed Him to Confess

Y. Weinberger, charged with having broken into the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem in May and with having stolen *objects d'art* valued at IL.25,000 stated in the Jerusalem District Court yesterday that he had confessed to the crime at Police Headquarters only to provide the authorities with a scapegoat.

The accused claimed that the Police had asked him to confess in order to maintain their prestige. He said he was promised an early release from prison and be permitted to leave the country. Weinberger also charged that he had been beaten prior to the confession.

The Court on Sunday sentenced Imri Hauspeter to five years' imprisonment for having received the Museum pieces knowing that they were stolen.

Judge Gaulan sits on the Bench. Mr. D. Gerberg is prosecuting. The trial is to continue today.

MEDICAL COUNCIL DELEGATES QUIT

The representatives of the Medical Association have resigned from the Medical Council on the grounds that the Council has not fulfilled its duties, it was learned last night. The Minister of Health, Mr. Y. Serlin, has been informed of the decision.

Those resigning claim that the Council has not met for more than a year despite repeated requests of the Medical Association.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM DISTRICT — Frozen Turkish carp: 150 grams, Mem 19, temp. 51. Bananas: 250 grams, Heh 25, temp. 39, zones 10, 11, 12. Tomatoes: 250 grams, No. 15, 16, temp. 38, zones 5.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Cocoa: Cards Aleph, Bet: 150 grams, Lamed 27, Lamed 37, temp. 21. Laundry soap: 500 grams. Toilet soap: 100 grams. Peas: 400 grams. Salted fish: 150 grams. Beans: 400 grams, no coupons, temp. 14.

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P.E.C. to Strengthen Industries This Year

Jerusalem POST Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Palestine Economic Corporation will shift its emphasis in 1953 from pioneering in the development of new projects to the strengthening of existing enterprises, Mr. Heinz Gruenbaum, Vice-President of the P.E.C., told the press today.

Mr. Gruenbaum, who was formerly head of the Government's Investment Centre, said that the Government also should confine the offer of special privileges and facilities to essential and basic enterprises. He said additional privileges with regard to taxes and profits should be offered to these investors since a new climate for investment was necessary.

Mr. Gruenbaum said that the paid-up capital and surplus of P.E.C. was $10m., and the resources exceeded $30m. The Corporation's policy, he said, was to spark-plug investments many times greater than what the Corporation invested.

As examples, he cited the $2.25m. and IL.1m. American-Israeli Paper Mills, Ltd., in Hadera, which would begin production before the end of the year and would supply all the country's needs for paper and stationery. He said the P.E.C. had invested only $400,000 in this enterprise.

Mr. Gruenbaum said that the General Tyre and Rubber Company had reached full production and was making 200 tyres a day. Another plant now under construction was a plastic factory in Rehovot which will produce all of Israel's needs in shoe soles and heels. The American Biltrite Rubber Co., of Chelsea, Mass., had invested $500,000, and would provide the know-how. This type of investment, which would save foreign currency for the country should still be encouraged, Mr. Gruenbaum said.

The P.E.C. Vice-President also said that the Fertilizer and Chemicals Ltd. plant in Haifa would by March or April start production of sulphuric acid and the national production of superphosphates would be increased from 2,000 to 5,000 tons a month.

The new field of activity for the P.E.C. will be the purchase, financing and shipment of raw materials for Israel's export industry and the marketing of the finished products abroad. This will be done through the Israel Corporation of America, which was established last year.

Kikuyus Murder Chief in Hospital

NAIROBI, Monday (Reuter). — Three Kikuyu tribesmen walked into the Government hospital at Kiambu, near here, last night and shot dead a Kikuyu chief, named Hinga Hinga, who was lying in bed. The men then walked out of the hospital.

The chief was in hospital recovering from an ambush by Kikuyu in his own location last month.

The Kenya government has declared a prohibited area in the districts where Mau Mau raids culminated in the murder of two British settlers last Thursday.

The area covers part of the Aberdare Forest Reserve and other wooded country ringed by farms. It includes part of the Thomson's Falls area where raids have been frequent.

All African families will be moved immediately into settlement camps. Until the area has been combed by police and soldiers nobody will be allowed to enter without official permission.

Some British settlers anxious at the situation in the farming districts want to form a defence association.

A meeting of the settlers at Thomson's Falls called on the government to declare martial law and treat the Mau Mau movement as an armed rebellion. They asked that a substantial number of Kikuyu labourers and their families be removed from British farms to tribal reserves.

SCHACHT'S ADVICE

After his recent 12-day visit to Syria, Hjalmar Schacht, Hitler's Finance Minister, made the following recommendations to the government:

Not to carry out more than one large-scale construction project at a time and not to pass any law which would prevent local and foreign capital from freely investing in Syrian industry.

Schacht also urged the Syrians to restrict their imports and to make an all-out effort to increase exports.

SMOKE.—Spain has abolished cigarette rationing, which has been in force since the end of the Civil War in 1939.

Ataturk Wood Planted on Carmel

Jerusalem POST Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — The name of Kemal Ataturk, the founder of Modern Turkey, was perpetuated in Israel today, when President Ben-Zvi planted the first pine of a wood dedicated to the revolutionary's memory at Geva Hacarmel village this morning. The few saplings, planted in the Carmel foot-hills facing the Mediterranean Sea south of Zichron Ya'acov, are the first of a 30,000-tree grove that will cover 300 dunams.

The Turkish Republic was represented by its Minister, Mr. Sefkati Istinyeli, the Consul General in Jerusalem, and attaches of the Legation, all of whom planted trees. Israel was represented by Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry; Mr. N. Ya'esh, head of the Ministry's Turkish and Greek Section, Dr. M. Simon, Chief of Protocol; Mr. Daniel Auster, of the Jewish National Fund directorate; Mr. M. H. Peretz, chairman of the Turkish Immigrants' Association.

The President recalled that he had studied in Turkey in his youth, and welcomed the planting of a forest as a fitting way of perpetuating Ataturk's name in Israel. "Ataturk's memory was the heritage of all mankind and Israel was proud that a wood bearing his name should be planted in her soil. I hope that this forest will grow and flourish as the friendship between our two nation," he said.

Mr. Istinyeli replied that he was grateful that Turkey's former nationals, now citizens of Israel, still cherished their native country. He was particularly proud, that the President had honoured the occasion with his presence, and hoped that the forest would be a symbol of close friendship.

For the villagers, Mr. M. Sadina said that Ataturk had been the first to proclaim equal rights for all Turkish citizens.

The President, the Turkish Minister, Mr. Auster, the representative of the J.N.F. and of the village, and the Turkish Immigrants' Association signed the foundation scroll, which was handed to Mr. Istinyeli for forwarding to his President.

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Crossman Favours Suez Evacuation

"Since 1947 I have been urging my government to evacuate the Suez Canal zone," Mr. R. H. S. Crossman, M.P., told newsmen in Cairo on Sunday, according to "Falastin."

"This would create the essential condition for any regional defence understanding in the Middle East. Such defence is only possible with the full consent and cooperation of the peoples in the area.

"The growth of American influence in the Middle East will continue in order to fill the vacuum caused by British inability to bear alone the vast expense needed to secure the area," he concluded.

Mr. Crossman is touring the Arab states after his recent visit to Israel.

Jordan Paper Claims M.A.C. Meeting

The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission was scheduled to meet at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem yesterday morning, "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, reports. An Israel Army spokesman said he had no knowledge of such a meeting.

The session would be the first after the one-month deadlock which had developed following the alleged incident in the Sheikh Jarrah quarter of Jerusalem in which Jordan claimed that Israel had attempted to smuggle arms to Mt. Scopus.

The "A-Diffa" report adds that the senior Jordan MAC delegate had circulated among the Jerusalem Consular Corps a pamphlet, illustrated with photographs and maps, "proving" the alleged Jewish violation of the armistice agreement in the quarter.

Demands Made Of J'lem Power Firm

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The special four-man committee set up on Sunday by the Jerusalem Municipal Council to study the power supply situation held its first meeting yesterday and drew up a report for the Minister of Commerce and Industry.

The report demands that the Jerusalem Electric Corporation be ordered to maintain two of its seven generators in an operating condition while the Company's power plant is being overhauled. It is pointed out that keeping the city entirely dependent on the Palestine Electric Corporation supply from the coast, and from the Shimshon cement works at Hartuv raises the possibility of regular power interruptions.

PAYMENT of salaries to Haifa school and kindergarten teachers was started yesterday.

Oldest Specimen Of Man Found

DURBAN, Monday (Reuter). — Mr. John Robins of the Transvaal Museum, Pretoria, said today that five specimens of a prehistoric creature he unearthed in the Transvaal were the oldest examples of man yet discovered.

He found the specimens—remains of a creature called Telanthropus — in Swarkrave, where Dr. Robert Broom discovered the South African Ape Man.

Mr. Robins compared his discovery with the old remains hitherto discovered, the "Java Man" and similar remains in China. He said the Telanthropus lived half a million years before the others.

ACCIDENTS. — About 15 people are killed and 600 injured every day on the roads of Britain, the Ministry of Transport reported in London yesterday. Road accidents killed 4,786 and injured 211,243 in 1951, it added.

Cables in Brief

PANDIT. — Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, senior Indian U.N. delegate, arrived in Beirut last night on her tour of Middle East countries.

IRAQ. — Iraq's arms budget is to be increased by several million dinars, General Mohammed Nur e-Din, the Premier, stated in Baghdad yesterday, ANA reports.

FLYING SAUCERS. — Danish soldiers have been ordered to report any unfamiliar objects seen in the sky. Although "flying saucers" are not mentioned, it is believed the order refers to them. No official reason is given for the order.

PRAY. — Catholics in Birmingham, England have called on all-British Roman Catholic churches to pray during Marshal Tito's visit to Britain in March that his government will change its attitude towards the Christian religion.

CONFIRMED. — British Military authorities yesterday confirmed a court martial sentence of one year's imprisonment passed on Tony Bewick, 19-year-old regular soldier, for attempting to give secret information to Communists. They also confirmed his dismissal from the service with ignominy.

FEVER. — An outbreak of yellow fever of the silverstris type has caused 40 deaths out of 90 cases reported near Presidente Prudent in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

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1950 £		£	£
	Profit transferred from :—		
41,114	Fire Insurance Account	43,281	
33,911	Accident Insurance Account	23,443	
3,545	Marine Insurance Account	3,264	
78,570			69,990
21,965	Interest and Dividends (less United Kingdom Taxation)		21,986
£100,535			£91,976
246,033	Balance at the beginning of the year	286,818	
—	Add Adjustment of Income Tax on Final Dividend 1950	312	287,130
£346,568			£379,106

1950 £		£	£
46,000	United Kingdom Taxation (amount set aside)		45,400
46,000			45,400
	Dividend for year 1951 (less Income Tax) :—		
6,875	Interim Dividend	7,875	
6,875	Proposed Final Dividend	7,875	
13,750			15,750
286,818	Balance carried forward		317,956
£346,568			£379,106

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1951

1950 £	LIABILITIES	£
	Capital :—	
	Authorised : 200,000 Shares of £5 each, £1,000,000	
	Subscribed : 100,000 Shares of £5 each, £ 500,000	
	Paid up :	
100,000	£1 per Share on 100,000 Shares	100,000
150,000	General Reserve	150,000
286,818	Profit and Loss Account	317,956
402,681	Insurance Funds	440,811
198,416	Claims admitted or intimated but not paid	246,333
101,089	Sundry Balances, including provisions and reserves	101,168
519	Balance of Reinsurance Accounts	3,722
34,360	Amounts due to holding Company and fellow Subsidiaries	9,945
6,875	Proposed Final Dividend	7,875
£1,280,758		£1,377,810

1950 £	ASSETS	£
	Investments (at or below cost less reserve) :—	
48,000	Loans	48,000
1,077,082	Other Securities	1,178,230
3,000	Freehold Property	3,000
1,128,082		1,229,230
	Current Assets :—	
52,377	Agents' Balance	64,002
75,834	Amounts due by holding Company	63,302
24,465	Cash in hand, with Banks and on deposit	21,276
£1,280,758		£1,377,810

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1950 IL.	IL.	CREDIT	IL.	IL.
	15,744	Profit transferred from Fire, Accident, Marine and other insurance business		—
810		Interest not credited to other accounts	1,000	
87	753	Less Israel Tax	76	924
	—	Loss for the year		49,864
	16,497			50,788

1950 IL.	IL.	DEBIT	IL.	IL.
	—	Loss transferred from Fire, Accident, Marine and other insurance business		40,465
		General Expenses not debited to other Accounts :		
5,245		Head Office Expenses	7,135	
4,020	9,265	Local Offices Expenses	3,188	10,323
	—	Appropriations: Income Taxes		—
	7,232	Profit for the year		—
	16,497			50,788

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MR. CHURCHILL IN AMERICA

MR. Winston Churchill's visit to the United States has proved a gold-mine for speculators and star gazers on both sides of the Atlantic. The Prime Minister has been congratulated on his courageous decision to catch the American Administration in its formative stage; he has been admonished for coming to America at such an awkward moment for the old and new Administration. In fact everyone has presumed that Mr. Churchill carefully chose this moment, for better or for worse.

Unfortunately, for the sake of fitting drama, this is not so. Mr. Churchill decided to go to the West Indies for his winter holiday — on his doctor's advice — nearly a month ago. There are only two ways to get to Jamaica, one is to fly more or less direct — which Mr. Churchill's doctor did not advise; the other is to cross the Atlantic to New York by sea and then double back to the islands. Once it was decided that the second alternative would be chosen, the question of how the inevitable publicity should be handled was discussed between London and Washington.

It appears that the decision was that Mr. Churchill could not spend even two days in the United States *incognito*; therefore he must call on the "two Presidents" who are virtually co-equal in American politics at the present moment. Neither the Foreign Office nor the State Department was enthusiastic about the plan, which interferes with the smooth course of official diplomacy, but their objections were not of any great weight.

The overriding factor in the situation seems to have been Mr. Churchill's strong desire to renew personal contact with General Eisenhower. It is most unlikely that the Prime Minister really wishes or expects to sell the President-elect a new policy or a new view of Britain's position. He may discuss the Far East, or European unity, or Mutual Security Aid; but the object of the talk is not to make decisions or to leave ideas behind, and it is unlikely that Mr. Churchill has taken with him any extensive briefs.

The object of this exercise is to establish the personal relationship between heads of States which in 1939-40 was established by the now famous exchange of private letters between President Roosevelt and the "Former Naval Person" (Mr. Churchill, who was originally First Lord of the Admiralty). Possibly a similar exchange with a Former Military Person (as Eisenhower might style himself) will now be started. Certainly, from 1942 to 1945, Mr. Churchill built up an almost unique relationship with General Eisenhower. When the General was in England the Prime Minister used to see him almost every week, and discuss all aspects of strategy. They often strongly disagreed, but both have testified publicly to the deep affection and regard (like father and son, Eisenhower's aides said) which grew up between them.

Now, in utterly changed circumstances, when the Lieutenant-Colonel U.S. Army (Eisenhower's permanent rank in 1942) is President of the U.S.A., he will meet the same British Prime Minister. It is Mr. Churchill's hope that the same intimate relationship, in which disagreements as well as agreements can be accommodated, will be established.

Six Technical Training Centres to be Set Up

Six centres for intensive technical training are to be established shortly by the Ministry of Labour with $400,000 allocated through T.C.A., Mr. P. Harburger, of the Vocational Training Division announced during a press tour yesterday of the department's centre at Talpiot, Jerusalem.

Adult immigrants will learn trades at a full-time course of eight months to a year, as they are now doing at the Talpiot workshops. All the centres are to built in ma'barot or immigrant settlements, and will add 1,000 more trainees to those now attending courses in 119 different subjects under the Ministry's auspices.

All instruction, including evening classes at trade schools, is free; but the small loan given by the Ministry of Labour to assist wage-earners during their full-time study is hardly sufficient. Even so, the budget for vocational training had risen from IL.350,000 in 1950 to IL.630,000 this year.

JUDGMENT SEEN AS PRESSURE TO REVEAL SPY RING

ROSENBERG SENTENCE 'HARSH'

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
POST Correspondent

PLEASANTVILLE, New York.

A FEW weeks ago I visited a neighbour who lives in a modern house perched on a crag overlooking the Hudson River and the Town of Ossining. It was a moonlit night and the ramparts of Sing Sing prison rising from the river bank were clearly visible through the floor-to-ceiling windows of his living room.

As my friend is an Irish nonconformist who has supported Communist causes while he has made a fortune speculating in the commodity markets, it was inevitable that the conversation should turn to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, convicted atomic spies. The Rosenbergs will die in the electric chair in Sing Sing during the week of January 12, unless President Truman exercises executive clemency, which at the time of writing seems unlikely.

For those who are unfamiliar with this case, which has attained world-wide notoriety chiefly through left-wing organs, the Rosenbergs are a Communist couple who volunteered their services to the Russians for espionage. Ethel's brother, David Greenglass, worked on the atom bomb project at Los Alamos during the war. He transmitted certain information on the bomb to the Rosenbergs. Greenglass turned State's evidence and was given 15 years. The Rosenbergs stoutly maintained their innocence and were sentenced to death.

ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG

Communist Claims

The Communist campaign for the Rosenbergs was at first based on their claim of innocence. Lengthy analyses of the testimony were published, including one by D.N. Pritt, the left-wing British lawyer, purporting to prove that they were framed. Later, it was claimed that they were victims of anti-Semitic reaction.

My Irish friend used neither argument to convince me that I ought to help the Rosenbergs secure executive clemency. The courts had ruled on their guilt, and nothing more could be done about it. Admitting their guilt, he maintained that they were being persecuted because they were Communists. None of the other atomic spies, nor any of the Americans who worked for the Germans during the war and were convicted of treason, were sentenced to death. I, as a Jew, he said, should be concerned with the Rosenbergs, and their two small children about to be orphaned, not because the Rosenbergs happened to be born of Jewish parents, but because they belong to a Communist minority for which they are being punished. The Jews, too, are a minority in this country and if one minority, no matter how small and unpopular, is not protected then all are endangered, he asserted.

I didn't bother to point out how far-fetched this argument was, but replied softly: "I, as a Jew, am much more concerned with the Prague trial and the fate it portends for the half million Jews in Eastern Europe." My friend realized that a meeting of minds was unlikely and changed the subject.

Since that conversation, the Foreign Press Liaison section of the State Department has sent me a number of documents on the Rosenberg case including the brief of the Solicitor-General before the Supreme Court, the decision written by Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, and statements by the American Civil Liberties Union and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Maximum Penalty

I have studied these documents carefully, and I have come to the conclusion that while the guilt of the Rosenbergs appears to have been proven beyond the shadow of a doubt, they are being subjected to "cruel and unusual punishment" contrary to the Eighth Amendment. The Espionage Act provides a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment except in time of war when a sentence of death is permissible. The law was passed in 1917 during the First World War and the writers were obviously thinking of espionage on behalf of an enemy in wartime which might conceivably endanger the lives of our soldiers.

The Rosenbergs committed their crime during the last war but on behalf of a country which was then our ally. The indictment alleges that the conspiracy continued into 1950 after the cold war had begun, but we are still officially at peace with the Soviet Union within the meaning of the Espionage Act.

In my opinion, therefore, the law has been "stretched" to pronounce the death sentence. The reason for this harsh sentence is not persecution because of their political beliefs, as my friend alleged, but to bring pressure on them to talk. Numerous inspired newspaper articles have made it clear that the Rosenbergs' sentence could be commuted if they cooperated with the FBI. Klaus Fuchs, the most important atomic spy, confessed and led the FBI to Harry Gold. Gold admitted his guilt and led the FBI to the Rosenbergs. The Rosenbergs have maintained their innocence, and there the trial ends. According to a columnist in the "New York Post," the FBI believes that Julius Rosenberg knows the names of 50 Soviet spies many of whom may still be at work in this country.

From the standpoint of American security everything should be done to force the Rosenbergs to reveal their knowledge, but a sentence of death is not in my opinion consistent with the traditions of American justice or the Eighth Amendment.

Executive Emergency

The sentence is, however, within the letter of the law and therefore, according to American judicial practice, cannot be revised by the higher courts but only by executive clemency. Mrs. Roosevelt has written on this subject that many letters that have come to her "try to make it appear that this sentence was imposed on the Rosenbergs because they are Jews and is intended to start anti-Jewish activities in this country. This is utter nonsense....

> "I don't believe in capital punishment, but we do have capital punishment in our country. I don't know if putting the Rosenbergs to death will do us more good than if they were under sentence of life imprisonment, but this country operates under law, and as long as we have laws we must live up to them, making sure that the law is fairly administered," Mrs. Roosevelt concluded.

Rabbi's Appeal

Quite apart from the Communist campaign, many leading Jews, particularly Rabbis opposed in principle to capital punishment have written to the President urging clemency. One of these, Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum of Kew Gardens, L.I., used the argument of the Rosenbergs' supposed knowledge of "important secrets" on their behalf. Rabbi Kirshblum wrote:

> I make my plea for mercy because I am a Jew and, although the Rosenbergs are Jewish by mere accident of birth and no more, I feel that in generations to come my people will be plagued by these two Jewish names that will go down in history as the first to be executed for spying in times of peace. . .
>
> While many people and groups are trying to set the Rosenbergs up as martyrs, I am primarily interested in saving their lives. As long as they live there is yet a chance for them to see their evil ways and repent. As soon as their lives are snuffed out some very important secrets, undoubtedly essential to our country, will go down with them into the grave, never to be revealed.

The decision lies with President Truman.

JERUSALEM ART NOTES

Avigdor Arikha's First Show

AVIGDOR Arikha is featured in the catalogue of his first one-man show, just opened at the Artists' House in Jerusalem, as a painter, whose "appearance on our artistic scene may well be a sign for the better." Your critic has failed to notice any portents of an approaching "Golden Age of Art" among Arikha's oil paintings. The triangular division of his landscapes is flat and artificial. The forced expressionism of his heads is not convincing. His colours are dull. The best of the pictures is the Portrait No. 3.

However, one must fully agree with the author of the foreword to Arikha's catalogue when he mentions his rare "drawing talent." Young Arikha, in his present state of artistic development, is far more of a draughtsman, than an accomplished painter. All his drawings are impressive in clarity and unfailing sureness of line, in characterization with a minimum statement. All the heads and nudes are balanced and well constructed. Some of them are true master-drawings.

Of Avigdor Arikha's illustrations, the brush drawings for Frishman's "Desert Stories" are my first choice. They are conceived in a congenial mood; they have atmosphere and reproduce a milieu of which the artist is fully aware—in fact exemplary illustrations.

The "first sketches" for "Don Quixote" do not strike me as definite solutions. It would have been better not to exhibit them. Avigdor Arikha has not yet attained such an importance that his first notations could be of documentary interest.

The pen drawings for Rilke's "Cornet" are a complete failure. The period and environment of the great epos are foreign to the artist. His Cornet carries its colours like wet washing on a line. Those pot-bellied, spindle-legged, ankle-galled creatures are not the chargers, whose hoofs beat in slow marching trot, and who in the staccato of the charge gives Rilke's immortal poem its rhythm. I tend to agree with the honourable president of the Royal Academy that people who have never ridden a horse, should not attempt to draw one.

Th. F. M.

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NEW BILL "OUTLAWS" KEY-MONEY

Protection for the Tenant

By RICHARD WEISS

A TENANT Protection Bill to replace existing Mandatory legislation and to regulate the sensitive field of landlord-tenant relations was recently published by the Government.

Outlawing key-money, the Bill subjects landlords to fines for any sums of money or benefits they accept in excess of the established rates. Such sums, which include exaggerated charges for services, can also be recovered by the tenant in a civil suit. As under previous laws, the tenant may continue to live on the premises after his contract with the landlord expires, subject to the same rights and duties as in the contract. The bill also protects all tenants recognized as such by Mandatory legislation and automatically extends the provisions of the new law to them.

To make rentals more realistic, the bill provides for increases, and links them to economic fluctuations by giving the Minister of Justice authority to effect changes. It is proposed that in cases where rooms were first rented before April 1, 1940, the standard rent paid in 1940 be increased by 60 per cent for one room, by 80 per cent for two rooms and by 100 per cent for three rooms. If the rooms were first leased after April 1, 1940, and the former Rent Tribunal had not made a ruling on the rent, the matter is to be put before the Rent Tribunal established under the Bill. Two further possibilities are listed in the case of leases made after 1940; if the former Rent Tribunal fixed the rental before April 1, 1945 then the increases are to be 45 per cent, 60 per cent and 75 per cent respectively; or if the rental was decided upon after April 1, 1945 then the increment is 35 per cent, 42 per cent and 50 per cent. It must be noted that increases are computed on the standard rent only after all sums paid the landlord for taxes, service of every kind and use of furniture are subtracted. The new Rent Tribunal is also to be empowered to decide in the case of four room apartments. The bill states that the maximum rent in all such cases is to be IL.8 per month for one room. (The sweeping language of this provision is out of accord with the subordinate place it occupies in Section 26.)

Business Premises

Business premises are evaluated in terms of the purpose they serve, the space rented and the district in which they are located. The bill leaves leeway for minimum and maximum rents and differentiates between stores, workshops, factories, offices and storehouses. There are four districts: main roads, side streets suburbs in the city and rural areas. The rent for a store on a main road, for example, may range from IL.0.800 to IL.1.500 per square metre.

Tenants fall within the scope of the law if they rent an apartment or business premises for less than ten years. "Apartment," includes a building or a room whose principal purpose is to afford living accommodation and "business premise" is a building or any part of it whose principal purpose is otherwise. It makes no difference whether rooms are furnished or not and to what extent the tenant uses facilities in common with the owner.

The bill does not extend to hotels, or to premises which in good faith form part of a lease to till land. Apartments or business premises completed after January 1, 1950, and not rented out before the bill becomes law, are exempt from rent restrictions, though not from the other provisions, for five years after the property is first rented. The Custodian of Absentee Property need not perform repairs and supply services. Workshops and factories, approved by the Investment Centre, may be rented out at the rate fixed by the Centre. Since only business premises and apartments are covered by the bill, it does not apply to vacant lots, even if they are used for commercial purposes.

Inheritance Clause

If a tenant dies or leaves the premises, they are not thereby returned to the landlord. The spouse who lived with a tenant in the six previous months takes his place. (It is interesting to note that spouse includes a person the tenant "considers as such and towards whom he acts accordingly.") A tenant whose wife takes his place when he leaves, may return within two years and will then again be the tenant. Depending on whether the tenant died or on whether he merely left the premises, rights are also accorded to children of a couple and to relatives. Protection is also afforded the sub-tenant, who may continue to live on the premises he occupied, if the tenant dies or leaves (which includes eviction by order of a court.) If, however, the tenant is evicted by the Court because of a reason concerning the sub-tenant, the latter must also leave. An interesting provision is that a landlord, who lives in his apartment and loses ownership over it because of bankruptcy, or as the result of failure to pay a mortgage, or on the basis of a sale by the Execution Office acting on a Court order, becomes a tenant and may therefore continue to live there. Some of these provisions also apply to business premises.

(This is the first of two articles on the Tenant Protection Bill.)

Readers' Letters

AMSTERDAM'S JEWISH COMMUNITY

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — It was with very great interest that I read Th. F. M.'s Art Note on the recent Jewish Amsterdam exhibition at the Bezalel Museum. However, I must differ with the author on one important point. He writes "To study the documents and relics of a splendid Jewish community that still exists is an enjoyable change after so many melancholy memorial exhibitions."

In actual fact, the Jewish Amsterdam exhibition was no less a most melancholy memorial than others. It is sometimes too little realized abroad that of the 140,000 Jews in Holland before the war some 115,000 were deported and did not come back, among them about 70,000 from Amsterdam alone. Among those who remain several thousands owe their survival to the fact that they were married to non-Jews; a few other thousands are Jews from Germany and Eastern Europe who settled in Holland after Hitler came to power. Of the surviving Dutch Jews, a considerable proportion of the young people and several of the leaders have settled in Israel in recent years; others emigrated to the United States, Canada, etc. Many of them could bear to remain in Holland, on the ruins of their past, though material conditions there are quite favourable.

Few Youth

One of the most distressing features for the future is the fact what the age-group 16-30 is so extremely weak among the Jews in Holland at present; in many smaller towns which once had a flourishing Jewish community, there are often literally no young people of this age-group left, due to both extermination (very small children stood a better chance of living in hiding without being discovered than older ones) and emigration.

It is true that several of the buildings and institutions still exist, but they are often little more than empty shells, which only impress the superficial spectator. The famous 17th century Portuguese Synagogue at Amsterdam, for instance, is a beautiful and unspoilt as ever; but the total number of members of the Portuguese Jewish community in the whole of Holland is 900, the overwhelming majority of them, both men and women, married to Ashkenazim.

To take another example, related to the subject of the Jerusalem Jewish Amsterdam exhibition — before the war Amsterdam had a permanent Jewish Amsterdam exhibition in some of the rooms of the Waag Museum, showing many fine specimens of Jewish cult objects, etc. The exhibits were safely hidden during the war; but they are still stored away somewhere, the rooms in the Municipal Museum are used for other purposes, and no initiative has been taken by anyone to revive the exhibition.

The precarious future of Dutch Jewry may best be illustrated by their inability to find a sufficient number of rabbis. The large majority of those who held rabbinical degrees in Holland died in the concentration camps. Of the survivors some settled in Israel after the war. In recent years two rabbis were appointed from Switzerland; but now one has accepted a call to Canada and another to Argentina; apparently not so much owing to better material conditions overseas as because they found too little scope and response for cultural-religious activities here. So far it has been found impossible to fill the vacancies — not only from Holland, where no suitable candidates are left — but even from abroad. The Ashkenazi community in Holland now has only two rabbis, one of whom is 70 years old.

Missionary Attitude

Another rather distressing feature, of very recent origin, is a tendency among some of those whose words have a certain authority among their fellow-Jews here to propagate the theory that the Jews have a certain "mission" in the diaspora viz. to typify "prophetic Judaism" to their non-Jewish environment (and this without keeping the commandments of the Torah). In our opinion, this theory may not so much convert the non-Jewish world to the "real truth" as empty Judaism here of its last content. Unfortunately, no one in authority has yet found it necessary to fight this new — or in fact not so new — theory.

It is probably not the task of the representatives of the State of Israel in any country to offer any guidance in the Jewish-cultural field to the local community, apart from urging them to contribute to the United Israel Appeal. At any rate, as far as I know, in Holland such guidance has so far never been given. In view of the steadily deteriorating situation, however, it should be asked if Israel cannot do something to infuse new life into this dying community. In another 20 years it will be too late.

Most Zionist parents in Holland, who for some reason or other were themselves unable to settle in Israel, educate their children for *aliyah;* several *shlichim* from Israel (maybe even too many) are also active among the youth, and all the best of them can be expected to leave for Israel, the remainder, with a very scant minimum of Jewish content and knowledge, cannot be expected to preserve their identity.

Yours, etc.,
H. BOAS

Amsterdam.

ECHOES OF 1912

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Notwithstanding Mrs. Vigdor's surprise I do not believe a comparison between Senator McCarran and W. J. Bryan to be unfair to either of them. McCarran's populist background is an established fact, so is Bryan's development from the "Cross of Gold" speech in 1892 to the Dayton Trial. Prof. Handlin in a most interesting article on the McCarran act in the July 1952 issue of "Commentary" says: "Like many others swayed by the free silver argument, McCarran absorbed a profound distrust of all that was international and a hatred of foreigners that was one of the bye-products of the silver crusade. Often in the sentiments McCarran expresses in 1952 we hear the overtones of the shrill arguments of Tom Watson 40 years ago."

Yours, etc.,
COMMENTATOR

Jerusalem, January 4.

Men and Things

There was that painter chap, who for years perpetrated a successful deception on the world of art critics by passing off pastiche works of his own as masterpieces by the great Vermeer. At World Fairs, nobody has any difficulty in copying the monumental and architectural wonders of ancient civilizations. But certain techniques of lost crafts still elude us, while we are unable to surpass them by invented techniques of our own. The peculiar richness of mediaeval stained glass is a case in point.

In one sphere, that of language, it might be imagined that, because all development is simply accretion upon what has gone before, the wealth and power of expressed thought could only be enchanced with the passing of time. But a formal exercise common to every age and culture, that of transleting the greatest book of all time, is constantly proving the contrary. The United States has now produced its own revision of the Authorised Version of the Bible; a book which shows on every page that, where the 1611 English has been adhered to, the words remain forceful and magical in their simplicity and wealth of overtone, and that, where modern scholarship has sought to clarify, exactness of meaning has been gained only at the expense of richness and harmony.

The explanation lies in that killing word 'version'; a turning, usually away from the original; a transmulation, a blurring, a burying. The trouble is that modern national cultures do not reflect a unified approach to life, and that an increasingly complex terminology encourages us to be subtle rather than simple, deprecatory rather than forthright; intellectually we sit on the fence, sifting possibilities, and nobody regards us, because nothing we say is memorable. When we look at the new American Bible, we can understand why every age produces its pessimists who hark back, instead of forward, to the Golden Age.

B. S.

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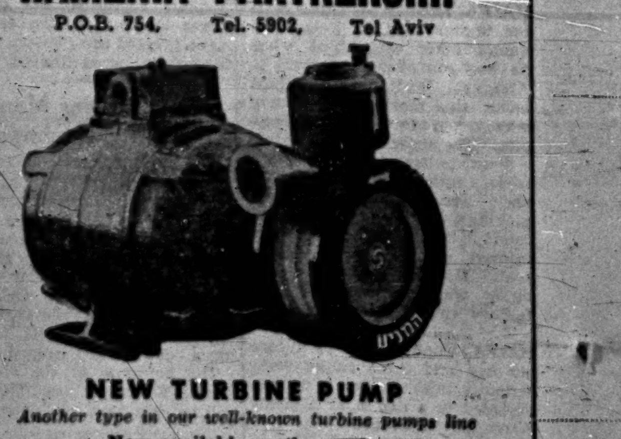

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